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TITLE OF INVENTION: BREAST FEEDING COVER

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(application filed on or after May 29, 2000)

The Patent Term Adjustment to date is 364 day(s). If the issue fee is paid on the date that is three months after the mailing date of this notice and the patent issues on the Tuesday before the date that is 28 weeks (six and a half months) after the mailing date of this notice, the Patent Term Adjustment will be 364 day(s).

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EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT

1. An examiner's amendment to the record appears below. Should the changes and/or additions be unacceptable to applicant, an amendment may be filed as provided by 37 CFR 1.312. To ensure consideration of such an amendment, it MUST be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee.

Authorization for this examiner's amendment was given in a telephone interview with John Nemazi on September 29, 2008.

The application has been amended as follows:

In claim 1, line 2, "or the like" has been deleted.

In claim 1, line 8, "around" has been changed to -- about --.

In claim 4, line 3, "in suitable fashion" has been deleted.

In claim 4, lines 3-4, "in use suitable attachment means, including" has been deleted.

In claim 4, line 4, "Velcro®" has been changed to -- hook and loop --.

In claim 4, lines 4-5, "or the like" has been deleted.

In claim 7, line 2, "the" appearing after "wherein" has been deleted.

In claim 10, line 3, "suitably" has been deleted.

In claim 10, lines 3-4, "about their periphery, or elsewhere as required," has been deleted.

In claim 10, line 4, "known means including" has been deleted.

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In claim 12, line 2, "chosen from conventional" has been changed to -- a --.

In claim 12, line 2, "and" has been changed to -- or --.

In claim 12, line 3, "structures" has been changed to -- structure, or --.

- 2. The above changes have been made in order to more clearly claim the invention under 35 U.S.C. 112, second paragraph.
- 3. The following is an examiner's statement of reasons for allowance: Claim 1 and the claims dependent thereon are allowable since the prior art does not disclose a cover suitable for use during feeding an infant wherein the cover has a single adjustable strap means to fit over a shoulder of the wearer, and the cover has a generally arcuate shape which is derived from a sector of a circle, comprising about one third to one half of a notional circle of fabric, wherein the shoulder strap is attached at points on the cover along the sides corresponding to the radii of the sector and generally located in the vicinity of the center of the notional circle.

Any comments considered necessary by applicant must be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee and, to avoid processing delays, should preferably accompany the issue fee. Such submissions should be clearly labeled "Comments on Statement of Reasons for Allowance."

4. Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Amy B. Vanatta whose telephone number is 571-272-4995. The examiner can normally be reached on Monday through Thursday.

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If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Gary Welch can be reached on 571-272-4996. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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/Amy B Vanatta/ Primary Examiner Art Unit 3765